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This Weekend
April 17-19
Spring Play, "Arsenic and Old Lace," 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; matinee at 2:30 on Sunday. Tickets are $10 general admission, $5 for students. In the auditorium.

Parents: At a Glance

Spring Play, April 17 (today) - April 19 (See story below.)

Paws for Pride Decorating, April 19, 4-8 p.m.

England Trip 2016 Parent Information Meeting,
April 20, 6 p.m., Dining Hall

Chicago Trip 2015 Parent Information Meeting,
April 20, 6:30 p.m., Dining Hall

Spain Trip 2016 Parent Information Meeting,
April 20, 7 p.m., Dining Hall

Paws for Pride Decorating, April 20, 3-8 p.m.

Paws for Pride Decorating, April 21, 3-8 p.m.

Talent Show, April 22, 7-8 p.m.

Paws for Pride Open House, April 23, 6-8 p.m.

2015-16 School Year: Important Dates

Attention Parents: The calendar for the 2015-16 school year has been announced.

Please click here to view these important dates.

Don't Miss the Spring Play "Arsenic and Old Lace" Today, Saturday and Sunday
This Sunday, April 19
Spring Open House, noon to 2 p.m. Call 216.251.4868 for info. (See story in this newsletter.)

April 20
Parent meeting, WWI centennial trip (France, Belgium, Netherlands), 7-8 p.m., the Media Center. Email here for more info.

April 22
Early dismissal, 2 p.m.

Student Council Talent Show, 7-8:30 p.m., the auditorium.

April 23
Paws For Pride walk-through for parents, family and friends, 6-8 p.m.

April 24
Paws for Pride, (students only), 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

April 26
Mother/Daughter mass and brunch. Reservations requested by Tuesday, April 21. Here is the form. (See the story in this newsletter for more information.)

April 28
Wellness Survey for students, starting at 8 a.m.

April 29
A Touch of Classical Concert, 7-8 p.m., in the auditorium.

April 29
Senior Panoramic Picture, 11 a.m., formal uniform required for seniors. Cost to order: $16. Forms available in front office.

May 1
Cleveland Orchestra performs for students at SJA!

May 6
Spring Scholarship Luncheon, Westwood Country Club. Email here for more information.

STArts Meeting, 6:30 p.m., at SJA.

May 12
Athletic Boosters meeting, 7-9 p.m., in the Board Room.

May 13
Early dismissal, 2 p.m.

Don't miss the SJA production of the classic comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace," being performed this weekend (tonight through Sunday), April 17-19.

Show times are today and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Cost is $10 general admission and $5 for students.

Open House is This Sunday, April 19
SJA's Spring Open House is this Sunday, April 19, from 12 to 2 p.m. The Open House will include tours of the campus led by current students and a session led by Principal Jeff Sutliff to learn about our various academic programs, including our Health Sciences Honors Program. Faculty members, athletic coaches and our administration will be available for questions. The tours will take approximately one hour.

Mother-Daughter Mass and Breakfast Buffet Event RSVP Deadline Is Tuesday
The Mothers' Club is inviting all students and their mothers to the 4th Annual Mother-Daughter Mass and Reception on Sunday, April 26, at 10 a.m. The mass, being held in the auditorium, will be followed by a breakfast buffet in the Dining Hall provided by the Fathers’ Club. There will also be a special tribute at that time to seniors and their moms.

Cost for the event is $17 total for a mother, guardian or "special someone" and one daughter. Additional daughters (who must be SJA students) are $5 each. The deadline to reserve spots along with payment for this event is next Tuesday, April 21. Click here for the reservation form, which may be turned into the Main Office. Make checks payable to Saint Joseph Academy.

Questions? Call parent volunteer Mrs. Robin Schuler at 216.251.4742 or email molly813@aol.com.

Join Us April 28 or April 30 to Learn About
May 16
Senior Prom, 6 p.m.-midnight,
Windows on the River.

May 18
Assembly with Pulitzer Prize-winning
journalist and author and
Distinguished Alumna Mary Jordan
'79, 2 p.m., in The Academy Center.
Presentation by Ms. Jordan at 7 p.m.,
all are welcome. RSVPs for evening
event requested at
RSVP@sja1890.org.

May 19
Spring Sports Banquet, 6:30-9 p.m.,
at SJA.

May 20
Last day of regularly scheduled
classes for seniors.

May 25
Memorial Day - no school, office
closed.

Earn Your Spots 5K/1 Mile Walk, at
SJA. Register here.

Student Spotlight

Name: Senior Sydney Rexing

Fun Facts: In addition to recently
traveling to London, England as part
of SJA’s award-winning team
attending an international Model
United Nations, Sydney is an
accomplished musician and singer.
She participated in the Cleveland
Orchestra Youth Honor Choir and
also participated in the Ohio Music
Educator's Association Honors
Choir at Cleveland State University
in November.

SJA’S Vibrancy Plan

Saint Joseph Academy has
been dedicated to the Catholic
education of young women
since 1890. As we celebrate
our 125th birthday this year,
we look forward to Saint
Joseph Academy’s vibrant,
valued and vital future!

On April 28, and again on April
30, President Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis '71 will review for
alumnae the Vibrancy plan, which includes strategies and
initiatives that will ensure the sustainability and vibrancy of
the Academy for years to come. Parents who may have missed
previous presentations on the plan are welcome to attend. The
Tuesday, April 28 meeting is at 6 p.m., and the Thursday, April
30 meeting is at 7 p.m. Both are being held in the Dining Hall. If
you have questions, please contact Nancy Zawadzki
at nzawadzki@sja1890.org.

46 Students Inducted This Week into SJA
Chapter of the National Honor Society

On Wednesday, 46 juniors and seniors were inducted into the
National Honor Society (NHS), standing before fellow students,
faculty, staff and family as they pledged to continue maintaining
a high scholastic standing and to be compassionate and
courageous leaders. Full Story

Enjoy a photo album of the ceremony here. Congratulations to
all!

Two Students Win Recognition at Chinese
Speech and Essay Contest

Two students
Students in Italy visiting the Church of St. Mary of the Angels in Assisi.

Sydney had the lead in last Fall’s musical "Anything Goes," is a member of The Academy Chorale, and participates in the Show Choir & Handbell Ensemble. Last summer, she was the recipient of the Sean Michael Moore Irish Vocal Scholarship.

"I want to pursue a musical career because of how I feel when I'm performing. It's almost a realization of how lucky you are to be a part of something so amazing."

Sydney will be attending the Catholic University of America, studying in the Benjamin T. Rome School of Music.

College Corner

College: Kalamazoo College
Location: Kalamazoo, Michigan (4 hours from Cleveland). Suburban.
Enrollment: 1,300 undergraduates.
Strongest Programs: Biology/health sciences, psychology, English, economics.
Fun Facts: Many freshmen begin the year with a "land/sea adventure" - three weeks of climbing, rappelling, canoeing and backpacking in the mountains of Canada.

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AP Chinese student Sarah Kolick ’15 won second place in the speech category and Honors Chinese III student Tina Dong ’18 won second place in the essay category. SJA Chinese Teacher Megan Hsaio received the Excellent Engagement Award in the award ceremony. Full Story

International, Service Trips Were Full of Once-in-a-Lifetime Experiences!

Seeing Pope Francis at the Vatican, walking the beaches of Monaco, and a service trip with our sister school in Baton Rouge, La., were just a few of the adventures undertaken by nearly 100 students this past Easter break. Please click on the Facebook albums from each to enjoy glimpses into these once-in-a-lifetime trips.

- Italy: Click here.
- France: Click here.
- "Serve Together," Louisiana: Click here.

Please see story below about informational meetings for next school year's international and local trips.

Parent Informational Meetings on 2016 International Trips Are Monday

Plans are already underway for next year's travel opportunities. Parents are invited to attend information meetings on Monday, April 20, about the planned trips.

The trips currently being organized are:
* Chicago, October 15-17, 2015, led by Math Teacher Paula Schuetz and Art Teacher Terise Janca ’93.
* England and Scotland, during the 2016 Easter Break, led by Dean of Women Marie Ciolek and Visual and Performing Arts Department Chair Beth Pleban.
* Spain, during the 2016 Easter Break, led by Spanish Teacher Ethan Saurwein.

The parent informational meetings are all on Monday, April 20. The England meeting starts at 6 p.m.; Chicago is at 6:30 p.m.;
and Spain at 7 p.m. All three are being held in the Dining Hall.

For more information on any of these trips, please contact Dean of Women Marie Ciolek at 216.251.6788 or here.

**Sophomore Wins Earth Day Competition**

Sophomore Kaylyn Johnson this week received word that she won the Hope and Stanley Adelstein Award for Excellence for a poem she wrote for an Earth Day Coalition competition.

Kaylyn will receive $50 and will be recognized at the welcoming ceremonies at the Earth Day Coalition's EarthFest 2015 on April 19, at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds. Her poetry also will be exhibited at local libraries for a year. 

Full Story

Here is a link to Kaylyn's prize-winning poem.

**Flute Trio Performs in Chamber Music Competition in Lyndhurst**

On Saturday, April 11, the SJA Flute Trio performed at the Cleveland Chamber Music Societies' first annual "Northern Ohio Youth Chamber Music Competition." Held at the Community Presbyterian Church in Lyndhurst, the competition was judged by retired members of The Cleveland Orchestra.

Students performing were Samantha Forrey ’15 Jessica Calton ’15 and Carol Hall ’18.

"We were honored to be selected to participate in this first ever annual event," said Music Teacher David Mumford.

**SPORTS**

**Rugby**

The Jaguars won 69-0 on March 29 against Highland High School. Scorers for the Jaguars include Maura Blake ’15, Marie Kouns ’15, Anne Rolf ’17, Mary Grace Lenehan ’15, Rachael Kean ’16, Jackie Harter ’15 and Amanda Burns ’15. For showing ability in Forward and Back positions, players Marie Kouns ’15, Ashley Kocian ’15 and Amanda Burns ’15 all earned Maidens of the Match.

On April 15, Varsity won against Lakewood High School with a score of 27-5. Scoring for the Jaguars included Anne Rolf ’17, Rebecca Sullivan ’16, Tayler Valentine ’15, Jackie Harter ’15 and Amanda Burns ’15. Seniors, Alex Strasser and Tayler Valentine led with defensive tackles and earned Maidens of the Match.

That same day, JV defeated Lakewood’s JV by 35-10. Scoring for the Jaguars included Yassmine Valentine ’17, Mary Grace Lenehan ’15, Emily French ’17, Becky Tent ’15 and Regina Baldado ’18. Anna Schubert ’18 and Katie White ’15 earned Maidens of the Match.

**Softball**

Softball players won a double header this week against Youngstown Ursuline. The Jaguars won the first game 7-1, with Macey Yuhasz ’15 pitching 6 innings. Hannah Hill ’16 went 2-2, 2 runs scored and 1 RBI. In the second game, the Jaguars exploded for 16 runs on 20 hits for a 16-5 win. Brenna Heffernan ’15 picked up the win. Elizabeth Enovitch ’16 went 3-5, 2B, 1 RBI and 4 runs scored. Sydnie Whitaker ’17 went 3-5, 3B, 1 RBI and 4 runs scored.
Earlier this month, the team traveled to Myrtle Beach S.C., to the Ripken Experience and played five games, ending 3-2 on the trip. Highlights included a grand slam by Marianna Caraballo '15 in a 15-4 win against the Carlisle Comets out of Kentucky. Marianna would finish the game going 3-4, 4 runs scored and 4 RBI. Macey Yuhasz ’15 went 2-3, 2 RBI, run scored, Allison Kwan ’16 went 3-3, 2 runs scored. Other highlights included a 13-8 win over the Tartens of N.J. The Jaguars also had a big win 11-0 over Ballard Memorial of Kentucky.

Track & Field
The team had an outstanding showing this past Tuesday, as both Varsity and Junior Varsity knocked off rival Magnificat High School. Varsity posted a close 68-60 victory, while JV dominated with a 114-14 win. Varsity was led by senior Jenea Adams, who won four events (100 m, 200m, 4x100 and 4x200); junior Kye Williams, who won the 100 hurdles, high jump and long jump; and junior Monica Hahn, who won the 300 hurdles along with the 4x100 and 4x200. Senior Brittany Morrison also won the shot put, freshman Sydney Seymour won the 1600m run and sophomore Olivia Battistoni clinched the Jaguars win with her impressive performance to win the 3200m run.

This meet followed last Saturday’s Nordonia meet, where Varsity placed 2nd out of 12 teams.